leave to report, that they have confidered the subject matter of said petition, and are of opinion, that it will be of great public utility to pass a law agreeably to the prayer thereof. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

A. GOLDER, clk.

Which was read.

The report on the petition of the inhabitants of Frederick-town, was read the fecond time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. Ordered, That Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Faw, Mr. Mantz and Mr. Bayly, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The report on the petition of fundry inhabitants of Frederick-town and county, was read the fecond time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill purfuant thereto. Ordered, That Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Faw, Mr. Mantz and Mr. Bayly, be a committee to prepare and bring in

the fame.

A petition from Thomas Beatty, of Frederick county, respecting the collection of Christopher Edelen's balances due as collector of Frederick county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Faw and Mr. Mantz, to consider and report thereon.

A memorial from Nicholas Blacklock, collector of Prince-George's county, praying a further time to make his collection, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. F. Bowie, Mr. Digges, Mr.

Shaw, Mr. Paca, Mr. W. Bowie and Mr. R. Bowie, to confider and report thereon.

Mr. Harwood appeared in the house.

Mr. Hopewell, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of William Kirby, beg leave to report, that they have confidered the same, and find the facts therein stated to be true; and that your committee are of opinion many like hardships may happen on securities before the bonds passed for confidered property will be finally paid off and securities discharged, and therefore recommend to the confideration of the honourable house, whether it is not proper to make a general provision by amending and explaining the seventh section of the act respecting executions against certain public debtors. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to provide and appropriate a permanent fund for the payment of the falaries to the chancellor and judges of the general court, and for other purposes. Ordered, That Mr. B. Worthington, Mr. Paca, Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Joshua Seney and Mr.

M'Mechen, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from William Molleson, of Kent county, on Delaware, setting forth, that he, as administrator of major Anderson, late of the Maryland line, was possessed of five certificates, issued by C. Richmond, Esquire, auditor-general, which he delivered to Mr. Benedict Brice, late of Caroline county, deceased, to receive the interest then due thereon; that on calling on him for them he informed him, that he had lost them, or they were stolen, of which he in his life-time made oath; and praying the auditor may be directed to renew them agreeably to their numbers; was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Paca, Mr. Walker and Mr. Grahame, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a supplement to the act for the further relief of the securities of Thomas Williams, deceased, late collector of the tax and public dues in Prince-George's county, and for other purposes therein mentioned. Ordered, That Mr. F. Bowie, Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. W. Bowie, Mr. R. Bowie and Mr. Digges, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a supplement to the act relating to replevins. Ordered, That Mr. Oneale, Mr. Paca, Mr. Forrest, Mr. T. Johnson and Mr. De Butts, be a committee

to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a supplementary bill to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor in the counties of Dorchester and Somerset. Ordered, That Mr. Pattison, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Gale, Mr. Steele and Mr. Stewart, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same. Mr. Faw, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

YOUR committee, to whom was referred the petition of Aquila Scott and Alexander Rigden, of Harford county, beg leave to report, that they have confidered the same, and that the facts therein stated are true; and as the act under which the services were done, did not provide a compensation for the said services, and as other persons may have been employed in other counties to do the like services, and who may be justly entitled to the like compensation as the petitioners, your committee are of opinion, and recommend, that leave be given to bring in a bill to make a general provision for all who may be in like circumstances with the said petitioners. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

A. GOLDER, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to provide a compensation for certain public services. Ordered, That Mr. Faw, Mr. Paca and Mr. Norris, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

RESOLVED, That no allowance be made to any collector for certificates suggested to be received before the fixth day of December, seventeen hundred and eighty-fix, for the taxes imposed at November session, seventeen hundred and eighty-four, seventeen hundred and eighty-four, and which became payable in seventeen hundred and eighty-four and seventeen hundred and eighty-five, before the collector shall make oath, (to be administered by either of the treasurers) that the certificate offered to be paid was, before the fixth day of December aforesaid, bona side re-

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